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Our buyer was in New York about two weeks ago, for Christmas goods principally, and with no idea of buying Garments, as we had but recently bought a large lot at a phenomenally low price. He was approached by one of the most extensive manufacturers of Ladies' High Grade, Strictly Tailor Made Outerwear in New York, who caters principally to large Philadelphia, Chicago, and New York retail stores, who stated frankly that he had about 300 very high grade Jackets and Coats that he HAD GOT to sell at SOME price for IMMEDIATE SPOT CASH. Every Garment in the lot had been made up the latter part of November and the early part of December, EXPRESSLY TO ORDER for several of his customers, who, on account of the unfavorable weather conditions and other causes, had canceled a part of their late orders, leaving these on his hands. As he stated, ordinarily he wouldn't have the slightest trouble in disposing of this, to him, comparatively small number of garments, but for the reason that all his customers, under the impression that THIS season they could sell all the Garments they could within reason buy, had overstocked early, and, for reasons stated above, were already overloaded, which fact entirely closed his usual outlet.

He offered to close the entire lot at a price that, even to our buyer, was a very strong temptation to buy, but he resisted, and made an offer which he really had no idea would be accepted, and it was, as he expected, refused. A short time after his return we were surprised at receiving the entire lot of Garments with a letter stating he had decided to accept our offer. We wired our offer had been for IMMEDIATE acceptance or rejection and for instructions as to how to ship them back. He wired us a still further discount if we would keep them. We made an offer much under our first one, which, after several more telegrams and letters had been exchanged, he finally concluded to accept.

We can only add that it places in our hands an elegant lot of the VERY LATEST and MOST UP-TO-DATE COATS AND JACKETS, at a price that WOULD SCARCELY BE CREDITED if we should name it; AND OUR REASONS FOR MAKING THIS FULL AND EXPLICIT EXPLANATION OF THE ENTIRE TRANSACTION IS THAT THE PUBLIC MAY FULLY UNDERSTAND HOW WE CAN SELL SUCH A CLASS OF GOODS AT THE PRICES AT WHICH THEY WILL BE ADVERTISED. The pitiable price for which we bought this lot will enable us to mark down our entire Cloak stock to the LOWEST LEVEL OF PRICES EVER QUOTED by a RELIABLE HOUSE ON RELIABLE GOODS.

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We have been busy the past few days assorting and marking the goods AND MARKING DOWN every garment in our regular stock, and

Thursday Morning, at 9.30 O'clock

We shall Begin the MOST REMARKABLE CLOAK SALE IN OUR HISTORY.

WATCH FOR OUR CLOAK AD. TOMORROW.

"THE FASHION,"

WOOD & EWER.

Christmas Gifts.

WE HAVE

lies from $2 50 to $75. Diamond Rings, Scarf pins, Cuff Buttons, Solid gold and plated Watch Chains. Fancy Stone and Band Rings, Brooches, Gold Spectacles, Opera Glasses,

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is indispensable to good cooking. Like lard, butter, or any other cooking fat, Cottolene will, in time, and under certain conditions, become stale and rancid, and when so it will not give perfect satisfaction. On the other hand, fresh Cottolene

Always Pleases

If used according to directions. Should your grocer sell you Cottolene that is not fresh, send it back, just as you would rancid butter. Insist on fresh Cottolene, and you will be satisfied.

The genuine is sold everywhere in one-to-ten pound yellow tins, with our trade-mark—"Cottolene" and steer's head in cotton plant wreath—on every tin. Not guaranteed if sold in any other way.

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HIGH PRIMARY CLASS.

TEACHER: "Mrs. Wyse bought a Stransky-Steel Ware Sauce Pan for 50 cents. It lasted 5 years. Mrs. Silley bought a 'cheap' enameled one for 30 cents and had it 8 months. How much should the better one have cost to make both equal in value?"

BRIGHT SCHOLAR: "$6.00."

TEACHER: "Why was this thus?"

BRIGHT SCHOLAR: "Because the 'cheap' one had one coating of enamel; the good one had four coatings and was imported and made to order specially for

WOOD & BISHOP CO., 40-42 Broad St., BANGOR, ME.

ONE OF THE FIRST STEPS

In the New Scheme of Autonomy for Troubled Cuba.

Mayors Succeed the Military Rulers in Two Towns Amid Rejoicing.

The Insurgents Dynamite a Railroad Bridge at San Rafael.

Washington, Dec. 27. The Spanish minister has received a despatch from Havana stating that the autonomist mayors of Bejucal and Juanabacoa have been inaugurated amid great enthusiasm.

The despatch adds that the patriotic spirit shown at these demonstrations gives assurance of the speedy realization of the good effects of an autonomous form of government in Cuba. The autonomist governors in these two cities are among the first to be named, in each case succeeding a military ruler under the martial system hitherto in force.

Spanish Garrison Threatened by Insurgents at Santa Cruz.

Havana, Dec. 28. According to announcements from Spanish sources the combined operations undertaken by Gen. Aguirre in the province of Santa Clara have resulted in the capture of an insurgent camp and the loss of 20 men killed by the enemy. The Spanish troops lost two men killed and seven wounded.

Further reports from Spanish sources say the Spanish troops have been engaged with the insurgents commanded by Napoles. In this case the insurgents are said to have lost several men killed and the Spanish say that after the engagement an insurgent captain and seven armed privates surrendered.

Advices from Manzanillo say that Spanish troops have left there to relieve the garrison of Santa Cruz, which is threatened by the insurgents.

A report is current here that the son of Calixto Garcia died recently from wounds received in the insurgent attack upon Guamo.

Insurgents Dynamite a Bridge

Havana, Dec. 28. The insurgents have dynamited a railroad bridge at San Rafael, this province.

MRS. BOB SAYS HE MAY.

So Fitzsimmons will Fight Again—Sometime.

Chicago, Dec. 28. Martin Julian today, on behalf of Robert Fitzsimmons, issued a signed statement which says:

"Fitzsimmons will defend his right to the title of champion. Mrs. Fitzsimmons has released him from his promise of retirement."

Referring to the conditions on which Fitzsimmons will fight Corbett and McCoy, Julian's statement says: "These conditions are as follows: Let Corbett beat a man like Maher or Choynski and establish his right as a member of Bob's class; let McCoy beat his way up to a commanding position and come along with his challenge afterward. But first McCoy must fight a fit opponent at the middleweight limit and not at catch-weights."

The statement concluded as follows: "I am not going to allow Mr. Fitzsimmons to accept offers from inferior men. When the proper time comes, Bob will meet them all one after the other in the same ring if needs be."

Eastport's Mysterious Fire.

Eastport, Me., Dec. 28. The authorities are at work in an endeavor to discover the two men who set fire to the building at Shackford Head, but have not been successful so far. John Taylor and family occupy one of the cottages at this summer resort about a mile out—and about 6 45 Friday evening Mr. Taylor started for the city. A few minutes later two roughly dressed men called at his house and asked Mrs. Taylor for her husband. She replied that he had started for the city to purchase some supplies. A few minutes after the two story building just above on the road was on fire and before any assistance could reach the Head, the building with its contents was reduced to ashes. It was 28x30 feet, contained six tons of hay, top buggy, wagon, sled, barge, mowing machine, plow, 2,000 shingles, 10,000 laths, etc, all of which burned.

Several trips have been made to Shackford Head recently by some unknown persons, who have broken windows each time in the cottages there, but no clue has been found and the police are unable to locate the guilty ones. While the firemen were driving to the burning building Friday evening, two strangers were seen to disappear into the woods on the approach of their team, and the description tallied with that given by Mrs. Taylor, later. Footprints have been found on different occasions leading to the cottages, but nothing else discovered.

The "Head" is a beautiful place in summer, but at this season a location where few people would care to wander after dark, especially in the winter. The midnight callers have selected Friday evenings in the past for their visits and if another call is made this week they will be entertained.

The loss of the building and much of the contents falls on the Eastport Land Co. and there was no insurance.

First Deputation to Go to China

Boston, Dec 28. At the meeting of the prudential committee of the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions this afternoon it was voted to send a deputation to China, consisting of the Rev. Judson Smith, D. D., secretary of the foreign department; Col. Geo. A. Hopkins, a member of the prudential committee, and Mr. Samuel E. Shepleigh, of Alabama. The visit is made in response to urgent and repeated invitations to North China, the Foochow and the Shansi missions, who have asked for it for better acquaintance and mutual understanding. The deputation goes to learn about missionary problems in China and to communicate to the missions the sentiments of the executive officers in Boston and of the Congregational churches. This is the first deputation to China ever sent by the American Board.

The Stock Market.

New York, Dec. 28. The bears in the stock market showed somewhat more confidence today and had some success in reducing prices. The most potent factor in their favor was the continued firmness of the money market, but much was made at one time during the day of the reported willingness of the secretary of the treasury to resign his office. This report was exaggerated into a story that the resignation had actually been made and the effect was to precipitate a selling movement which was, however, confined to the professional traders and which reached only moderate proportions. The market showed no change from its recent holiday character and its semblance of waiting for conditions in the money market to become more defined and solid.

Will Filed For Probate.

BARGE FOUND.

The Missing Canistee Picked Up By a Tug.

Boston, Dec. 28. No tidings have been received from the Delaware & Lackawanna company's barge Canistee, which broke adrift from the company's tug C. B. Sanford last Saturday night. Several tugs have gone out in search of her, even as far as the Georges.

Capt. Carl Rausch, the commander of the missing barge, is an experienced navigator. The names of the three men comprising the crew are not known, but they are said to belong in New York. The barge was provisioned for about four days, but by judicious use this could be extended much longer.

Later—The Barge Found.

Boston, Dec. 28. The missing barge Canistee has been found in Barnstable Bay and will be towed back by the tug C. B. Sanford, which lost her. The crew are all well.

COMPLICATIONS OVER WILL.

Trouble Ahead Over Estate of Dr Evans, the Famous Dentist.

Paris, Dec. 28. Mr. Rudolph Evans, the only surviving brother of the late Dr. Thos. W. Evans, the famous American dentist, who died in Paris on November 14th, arrived here last evening with his wife and son.

It is learned from a reliable source that the original will of Dr. Evans, drawn up by Mr. Arthur E. Valois of New York, the attorney of the deceased, was so badly copied by Dr. Evans, who also amended it, and added several codicils, that it is very doubtful if it is legal.

It also appears that Dr. Evans made two wills, one for the United States and another for France, which was sworn by the translator, who demands 35,000 francs for the translation, and having found differences in the two wills, he refuses to deliver them unless both are probated here. The United States consul, however, insists that the wills be handed to him for verification. This adds to the complications.

Mr. Rudolph Evans, who, if his brother had died intestate, would have been entitled to half the fortune of the deceased, which amounts to exactly $4,000,000, received only $10,000. Therefore he is determined to fight the will.

The Haverhill Murder Case.

Haverhill, Mass., Dec. 28. In the police court this morning, William Daley was arraigned on the charge of the murder of William Doolan yesterday. He pleaded guilty and was held without bail for the grand jury. Previous to the court session he made full confession to City Marshal Worcester of his part of the affair. He said that after the scuffle in the hall when the two men had separated and Doolan had gone to the bedroom, he went up stairs and taking a slaughtering knife from his trunk, came down stairs again. The trouble was again started and in a clinch in the bedroom he plunged the knife into Doolan's heart. He then dropped the knife and does not know what became of it.

The general opinion is that Daley's eccentricity had developed into actual insanity and even at the present time he is not sane in his talk.

An Important Decision.

Washington, Dec. 28. A decision of much importance has been made by Commissioner Hermann of the general land office affecting the town of Dyea, Alaska. The town site is claimed by Healy and Wilson under the general law allowing 160 acres in Alaska for manufacturing and trading purposes. These parties claim to have made their location long prior to any adverse rights.

The commissioner rejects the application for patent on a number of grounds and says that the survey of the claim was not regularly made. He says that a new survey is therefore necessitated and that the case will come up on its merits.

Set Hotel Afire for Revenge.

Boston, Dec. 28. Frederick Cook was arrested here today charged with having set fire on two occasions to the Hotel Tontine at New Haven, Conn. The last occurred on Christmas morning. Cook admitted having set the fire when under cross-examination at the police headquarters. He claimed that five years ago Manager White of the hotel did him a wrong and out of revenge Cook set the fire. What the injury was Cook declined to say, but he said that he thought he was justified in setting fire to the place on that account. He added that he was satisfied to stand punishment for the offense.

Dr. Bond Arraigned.

New Haven, Ct., Dec. 28. Dr. Elijah A. Bond was arraigned before Judge Dow in the city court today on a charge alleging the second degree of murder of Grace Dearborn, of Everett, Mass., by alleged criminal practice. Medical Examiner White was the first witness and swore that the girl met her death as the result of an operation. Mrs. Olive Mathis, with whom Miss Dearborn stopped in New Haven, described the girl's sickness and death.

The defense introduced no testimony and Judge Dow found probable cause and bound the accused over to the next term of the superior court.

Big Rush for Patents.

Washington, Dec. 28. Three hundred and seventy-five applications for patents were received today at the patent office, the highest on record for any one day in the history of the office. The fact that the new law requiring persons who have made applications abroad for patents to file their applications in this country within seven months of the filing of the application for foreign patents becomes operative on Jan. 1, is accountable for the rush.

A Job for Adlai.

New York, Dec. 28. Former Vice President Stevenson, who recently returned from abroad to render his report as a member of the monetary commission, has accepted the position of western counsel to the North American Trust company, with headquarters probably at Chicago. Mr. Stevenson will also enter the directory of the company.

A Descendant of Wm. Bradford.

Omaha, Neb. Dec 28. Mrs. Elizabeth S. Woolworth, wife of Hon. J. M. Woolworth, ex-president of the American Bar Association, died at her home in this city today. Mrs. Woolworth was the daughter of Moses Bradford Butterfield and a lineal descendant of Wm. Bradford, the first governor of Plymouth colony. She was born at Homer, N. Y., in 1836

Fight Declared a Draw.

New Orleans, Dec. 28 The Everard-Daly fight was declared a draw at the end of the tenth round tonight.

A MIGHTY FLEET

Of British and Japanese Warships Now at the Scene.

They Are Acting in Close Touch With Each Other, it is Said.

Japan Will Oppose a Permanent Occupation of Port Arthur.

Will Try to Prevent Landing of Reinforcements From Odessa.

London, Dec. 28 The Globe this afternoon says a private telegram reached London late evening, announcing that over twenty British warships have arrived at Port Hamilton.

Internal Trouble in Japan.

London, Dec. 29. A despatch from Kobe, Japan, says the dissolution of the Diet has greatly angered the political parties.

The military party is eager for action. Extraordinary activity prevails at the military and naval depots and warships are assembling at Nagasaki.

Japanese Fleet Ready for Trouble

London, Dec. 29 A despatch from Shanghai dated yesterday says:

"It is reported that a Japanese fleet of over 20 warships is waiting near Goto Island outside Nagasaki fully equipped for war and only waiting instructions. It is understood it is acting in close touch with the British squadron.

"Japan will certainly oppose a permanent occupation of Port Arthur. The sudden dissolution of the Japanese diet was owing to the war spirit. It is expected that the Japanese fleet will attempt to prevent the landing of reinforcements from Odessa for the protection of the Russian trans-Asiatic railway in Manchuria."

Orange Free State Ratifies Extradition Treaty.

Washington, Dec. 28. The Orange Free State has ratified the extradition treaty between that country and the United States recently negotiated and has returned the document to Washington, where it awaits the action of the Senate. It was this convention, together with a similar one negotiated with the Argentine Republic that made an issue between President Cleveland and the Senate, resulting in the shelving of both treaties. As submitted to the Senate by President Cleveland the treaties contained clauses permitting an American citizen to be surrendered under extradition to the legal authorities of the Argentine Republic or of the Orange Free State, and, vice versa, the United States might reclaim from each of those countries a native who had escaped from the United States after commission of a crime.

The Senate very promptly rejected this radical departure in the theory of our extradition proceedings and cut them out of the treaties before amendments. This resulted in sending the documents back to the State Department for transmission to the other parties to the treaties in order that they might have an opportunity to pass upon the amendments. But the President positively refused to go forward with the treaties until Congress accepted his ideas on the point at issue and the documents have lain on the shelf until the present administration took them up soon after it assumed office and resumed the negotiations looking to their final completion on the lines indicated by the Senate.

Hanged Himself in His Cell.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 28. Jas. Dalton hanged himself to his cell door in the East Cambridge house of correction at midnight. Dalton was serving a three years' sentence, having been found guilty of breaking and entering in Malden at the June term of the superior court. He was 30 years old.

Rushing Work With All Speed.

Washington, Dec. 28. Reports received at the Navy Department indicate that the British government is pushing the work of modernizing the great fortifications at the Rock of Gibraltar with all speed and no less than 5 000 Spanish workingmen pass daily over the lines to and from their work on the fortifications. A large number of the heaviest pieces of artillery are being put in place, a great dock is under construction and the plan of defense permits of the absolute protection of a vast British fleet under the guns of the fortress. Contrary to the policy pursued in some other British fortifications the soldiers in charge made no objection to an examination of the work by American naval officers and sailors.

American Folk-Lore Society Meet.

Baltimore, Dec. 28. The annual meeting of the American Folk-lore Society opened today at Johns Hopkins University, with a meeting of the council, after which President Gilman, of Johns Hopkins University, delivered an address of welcome. Dr. Matthews, of Washington, D. C., read a paper on "Ichthyophobia." Miss Alice Fletcher, of Washington, read one on "The Significance of the Scalp Lock" and Miss Mary Miner of Baltimore, one on "A Folk Tale."

Sullivan to Defend McLaughlin.

Boston, Dec. 28. In the superior criminal court this afternoon Judge Bishop assigned Wm. Sullivan to defend Francis McLaughlin, who was recently indicted, charged with the murder of his wife, Margaret. It rests with the experts on insanity, who have been ordered to examine McLaughlin, to determine whether the defendant will ever go to trial, for if they declare him to be mentally irresponsible for the crime with which he is charged, he will not be tried.

Developments in the Fish Fight.

Boston, Dec. 28. The Herald this afternoon says:

New developments have arisen in the Boston-Gloucester fish fight. Beverly has entered the fight. Beverly has had the balance of power in the controversy and now it is practically conceded that Gloucester has won her over. This is somewhat of a setback to the Boston fish dealers and there is considerable gloom at T wharf.

Half the ills that man is heir to come from indigestion. Burdock Blood Bitters strengthens and tones the stomach; makes indigestion impossible.

A tired woman, just as much as a sick and ailing one, needs Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This builds up, strengthens and invigorates the entire female system. It regulates and promotes all the proper functions of womanhood, improves digestion, enriches the blood, dispels aches and pains, melancholy and nervousness, brings refreshing sleep, and restores health and strength. It's a powerful restorative tonic and nothing else, made especial-

INDIANA REPUBLICANS

Met at Indianapolis on Tuesday for a Conference.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 25. Five hundred representatives of the Republican party of Indiana, outside of Indianapolis, attended a conference here today. The meeting was for talk and little else. The chief speakers were United States Senator Fairbanks and Governor Mont. Senator Fairbanks expressed the belief that the Dingley law would eventually bring prosperity, equalled only by the McKinley law itself. He expressed the opinion that the new tariff would soon yield sufficient revenue. On the subject of currency reform he said the Republican party intended to keep faith to preserve the gold standard unimpaired.

"I saw the President but a day before coming here," said Mr. Fairbanks, "and he said: 'I am going to keep the bond. I am going to vindicate the sound money plank in the St. Louis platform.' At the coming session of Congress the currency question will be in debate. Whether we can pass through the Senate any measure that will commend itself to the conservative judgment of the people, I cannot say. Neither can I foretell what will be the result of the issue, for unfortunately we have a majority only in the House. But I do believe the people will give us credit for an honest determined effort and that effort they will surely witness."

The unanimity of the party in the State on the proposition that the currency must be reformed, was a surprise to a good many attending the conference.

RELIEF TO KLONDIKERS.

Canada May Not be Willing to Co-Operate in Military Arrangement.

Washington, Dec. 28. The expected conference between Secretary Alger and Mr. Sifton did not take place this afternoon. Secretary Alger found that he was not sufficiently recovered from his illness to undertake the work of arranging the details of the relief expedition. The Canadian visitors are to remain in Washington for a few days, however, so that the conference is simply postponed.

Captain Brainerd has been authorized to issue tomorrow the advertisements for the supplies that are to be carried on the relief expeditions. They probably will appear in newspapers in Seattle, Chicago, Portland and San Francisco. The list of articles to be carried has been arranged with the greatest care by the quartermaster general's department after consultation with Surgeon General Sternberg, only the most vitally necessary food articles being sanctioned.

List No. 1 is made up of bacon, flour, pea meal, desiccated onions, teas, salt and pepper. These things are to go at anything is taken.

Both netatoes and coffee are provided for in list No. 2, which is to be made up of articles that are to be carried, in addition to those of the first list, if there is accommodation for them. This list is dried fruits, desiccated potatoes and coffee. If the transportation facilities are equal to a still further load, the articles in list No. 3 will be added as follows: Fresh meat in cans, sugar and tobacco.

From the advices of the Canadians it is likely that Skaguay will be chosen instead of Dyea as the terminal port of the relief expeditions. Skaguay has wharves at which ships can discharge cargo directly, while at Dyea there are nothing but lighters to land the goods.

Mr. Sifton said tonight that he hoped to conclude his visit within the next two days and that there was no doubt the two governments could make an arrangement which would be mutually beneficial in restoring relief to the klondikers. The minister's attention was called to reports that Canada might not be willing to co-operate in the use of the military arrangement of the government as provided by the bill, which recently became a law. He said, however, that he apprehended no difficulty in that direction as the only purpose of the two governments was to effect the relief in the most feasible way.

Learned Men Assemble at Cleveland.

Cleveland, Dec. 28. Learned men from all over the land are assembling in Cleveland today. The occasion is the thirteenth annual meeting of the American Historical Association, which is holding its second Congress west of the Alleghenies. The discussion was opened by Geo. Parker Winship, of Providence, R. I., who read a paper entitled "The Discovery of John Cabot." Prof. E. P. Cheyney, of the University of Pennsylvania, led off in a discussion as to what extent "sources" may profitably be used in the teaching of history below the graduate school. He urged the value of illustration and example and the study of contemporary writers. The thread was taken up by Prof. A. B. Hart, of Harvard, who supported the position of Prof. Cheyney. The afternoon session was devoted to the discussion of papers. The concluding paper of the afternoon, was a personal description by Prof. Samuel MacAuley Jackson, of New York, of his recent trip through the Hewingh country.

Extension of Time Granted.

Boston, Dec. 28. The railroad commissioners issued orders today to the various railroads operating in the State, granting the said railroads an extension of two years on the various provisions of the law of 1895 requiring the equipment with safety devices of all cars operated or drawn by them in Massachusetts.

This action was taken on petition of the various roads to conform to a similar extension granted by the interstate commission in relation to the act of 1893, passed by Congress, which is the same in substance as the State enactment.

May Revive the Agreement.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 28. The prospects for a revival of the agreement on the soft coal mining rate are encouraging. The operators who attended the joint conference at Columbus arrived home today. They are pleased with the outlook and are confident that the movement will be a success and that strikes, lockouts and other disturbances in the mining industry will soon be at an end.

Verdict of Not Guilty.

Middletown, Conn., Dec. 28. At 5.28 this afternoon the jury in the case of Herman Sachse, who was charged with murder in the first degree in the killing of Bertrand L. Hotchkiss, of Killingworth, af er being out about 3 hours returned a verdict of "not guilty."

Blood and Thunder Jim is on His Trail.

Cincinnati, Dec. 28 J J Corbett, when shown Julian's statement, said: "If I should beat Maher or Choynski I would only be advancing Fitzsimmons' reputation and leaving myself just where I am now, second. I will do nothing of the kind. Fitz is the only man I will fight. I will follow his trail until I compel him to fight me."

A Scheme to Form a New Company.

New York, Dec. 28. The World says: A story is current of a possible amalgamation of the Metropolitan, Manhattan and the 3rd avenue lines, or in fact every line of communication within the present city limits. The scheme is to form a new company which will lease all the lines.

THE WEATHER.

MURDERERS CONVICTED.

They are at Large, However, and Have Been Some Time.

Turkey Responds to Demands of United States for Their Punishment.

Men Who Murdered American Bicycler Lenz Escaped Long Ago.

Washington, Dec. 28. An indication of the willingness of the Turkish government to oblige the United States minister at Constantinople, who has been pressing for the punishment of the murderers of the American bicyclist, Lenz, is contained in a cablegram from Minister Angell received today at the State Department announcing that the murderers have been convicted and sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment.

These murderers, however, are at large, having escaped months ago into the Russian Caucasus, but the Turkish government has prosecuted, condemned and sentenced them in their absence.

Held Fighters Under Bond.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 28. Judge Woodward today handed down his decision in the test case instituted by the Methodist ministers' association against prize fighters, who were to participate in a contest before the Live Stock Exchange Athletic Club, at East Buffalo. He decided that the club was not entitled, under the Horton law, to charge an admission fee, but said he did not consider the occupancy of a portion of the Live Stock Exchange building a violation of the law. He held the fighters under a bond of $100 each, not to violate the law for one year. Counsel for the fighters will appeal from his ruling, on the admission fee. The defendants in the proceedings were Tommy Ryan, Jim Black with, Charles Johnson, Joe Miles and Richard Fox.

Sec'y Gage says he has not resigned nor has he any reason to think that he and the President are not in entire accord.

Wholesale Produce Market.

Corrected semi weekly by the Grocers' Association.

WEDNESDAY, Dec 29.

STATE LAW REGARDING WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

A bushel of Liverpool salt shall weigh 56 pounds, and a bushel of Turks Island salt shall weigh 70 pounds.

The standard weight of a bushel of potatoes is good order and fit for shipping, is 60 pounds.

The standard weight of a bushel of beans in good order and fit for shipping, is 62 pounds. Of wheat, beets, ruta bags, turnips and peas, 60 pounds, of corn, 56 pounds, of onions, 57 pounds of carrots, English turnips, rye and Indian meal, 56 pounds, of barley and buckwheat, 48 pounds, of oats, 32 pounds or over measure as by agreement.

Country Produce.

BEANS—	
Improved Yellow Eye, ₱ bush	1 75@1 90
Pea, hand picked, ₱ bush	1 60@1 65
BUTTER—	
Choice new roll, ₱ lb	20@22
Fair to good	15@18
CHEESE—	
Best Factory, ₱ lb (new)	12@13
Best Dairy, ₱ lb (new)	12
DRIED APPLES—	
Choice stringy, ₱ lb	4@5
Choice sliced	6@8
EGGS—	
Fresh laid, ₱ doz	24
HAY—	
Best loose, ₱ ton	15 00
PEAS—	
Improved, ₱ bush	2 25
Best Canada, whole	1 10@1 25
POTATOES—	
New, ₱ bu	35@40
POULTRY—	
Chickens, spring, ₱ lb	15@20c
ONIONS—	
₱ Barrel	1 75@2 00

Retail Prices Current

SALT—	
Bangor, ground, in boxes, ₱ box	2@3
English butter salt in 14lb bags, ₱ bag	40
In 56 lb bags	70
Liverpool, ₱ bushel	60
Turks Island	50c
HERRING—	
English, scaled, in boxes, ₱ box	20c
RAISINS—	
Loose Muscatels, ₱ lb	7@8c
London layers	7@8c
Sultanas	10@15c
CURRANTS—	
English, ₱ lb	10@12c
KEROSENE OIL—	
No test, ₱ gallon	7½
VINEGAR—	
Pure cider, ₱ gallon	25@30
Fuller W	20c
OATS	40@45c
FLOUR—	
Best Spring Haxall, ₱ barrel	5 50@5 75
Best St Louis	4 25@4 50
Good family	3 50
CORN—	
Full weight	41@42c
CORN MEAL—	
56 lbs to bushel	40@42c
COTTON SEED MEAL—	
In sacks of 100 lbs	1 00
SHORTS—	
St Louis bran, in sacks	75
Spring wheat, ₱ hundred	1
MIDDLINGS—	
Fine, ₱ hundred	1 00
Coarse	90
GLUTEN MEAL	1 10
FEED FLOUR	1 [illegible]
WHEAT	72

Breadstuffs, Grain, etc

OATMEAL—	
Best Scotch, per lb	5c
Best Irish	5
Best Canada	5
RYE MEAL per lb	4c
GRAHAM FLOUR	4c
BUCKWHEAT FLOUR	5c
SUGAR—	
Granulated, per lb	5 1/16
Extra	4 15/16
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Country clear, per lb	9c
Western	9c
LARD—	
Bulk, from tierces, per lb	5c
Home in pails	6c

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Monetary Quotations.

New York, Dec. 28. Money on call ranged at 1@1½ p c.

Prime Mercantile paper, 4@4½.

Sterling Exchange steady with actual business in bankers' bills at 4 85 @4 85½ for demand and 4 82½@4 82¾ for 60 days.

Posted rates, 4 83½@4 85 and 4 86@4 88.

Commercial bills, 4 80@4 81.

Bar silver, 70½.

Mexican dollars 45½.

Government bonds were weak.

State bonds dull.

Railroad bonds weak.

BONDS.

U S new 4s, reg	126	Erie gen 4s	94
do coup	126½	Iran Pac consols	76
United States 4s	112	Oregon & Nav 1sts	107
do coup	112½	Union Pacific 1sts	103½
Denver & R G 1sts	106½	Texas Pac land gr 2s	21

STOCKS

Atchison	12½	Northwestern	111
do preferred	30½	do preferred	168½
Central Pacific	1½	Ontario & Western	19
Chesapeake & Ohio	22½	Reading	22½
Chicago & Alton	154	Rock Island	91
Chicago, B & Q	99½	St Paul	84
Del & Hudson	111	do preferred	142
Del & Lack	153½	St Paul & Omaha	37
Denver & R G	11	do preferred	140
Erie, new	14½	St Paul, M & M	151
do preferred	38	Texas Pacific	11
Illinois Central	104½	Union Pacific	14
Lake Erie & West	20	Wabash, St L & P	7
Lake Shore	170	do preferred	17
Louis & Nash	66½	Boston & Maine	165½
Manhattan "L"	112½	N Y & New Eng	40
Mexican Central	5½	Old Colony	185
Michigan Central	102	Adams Express	158
Minnesota & St L	3½	American Express	115
do preferred	8	United Express	50
Missouri Pacific	24	Chicago Gas	90½
N J Central	95½	Homestake	42
N Y Central	107½	Ontario	34
N Y, C & St L	13	Pacific Mail	29½
do preferred	63	Pullman Palace	172
Northern Pacific	21½	Sugar	130
do preferred	59½	Western Union	91

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WEDNESDAY, DEC 29, 1897

Congressional Law Library.

The law library attached to the library of Congress is one of the most interesting places about Washington to all persons studiously inclined. The wonder to all such is, however, not how so great a collection of technical works was got together, but how it was disposed to any advantage in a room so ill adapted to the purpose. The law library now occupies that portion of the Capital basement which is just north of the center and is immediately under the present Supreme Court chamber. It was formerly the court room, having been used first in August, 1801

In 1860 the Supreme Court moved its quarters upstairs into the chamber at present occupied by that eminent tribunal. The law library, which was before that time in the room across the basement corridor, now used as a conference room by the court, was then removed to the old room of the court and has continued there since. Of all the labyrinthine offices in the bottom of the vast Capitol building, the library is perhaps the most difficult to find, and when found is seen to be the least suitable for its purpose

The books which form the nucleus of the collection are between 1,300 and 1,400 volumes Mr Jefferson's law library, which was purchased with the rest of his books by Congress. This has grown to the present considerable proportions by appropriations of Congress, no gifts of any extent having ever been made to the collection W. W Story, the sculptor, presented a handsome marble bust of his father, Justice Story, to the library, and it adorns the room at present.

On October 1 1897, there were 97 813 volumes in the law library, according to the careful enumeration made under direction of the capable librarian, Mr. Clark, of Alabama. These include textbooks, reports, session laws (including compilations and codes), collection in foreign language, trials, briefs and records, sections of the foner collection, periodicals, including cases in the periodical room of the Library of Congress

The room was never planned for a library and could never be changed into one to advantage, no matter what the expenditure of money The space is too limited for either the books and attendants or the persons who resort thither for information The floor area is only 2670 square feet, the equivalent of a room about fifty feet square Not only is it too small, it is poorly ventilated, and is so placed with respect to the rest of the Capitol the ventilation cannot be improved.

It is a matter of vital importance, if the Government is to keep up this splendid collection of technical works, so necessary to the administration of justice in the country, that new quarters should be selected forthwith. Fortunately it happens that at the present moment, with the removal of the Library of Congress to the new and elegant building across the plaza, quarters every way better than the present, and approaching to the admirable ones required for the purpose are now vacant and can be had, if it be the will of Congress, to concede them to the library

Maryland Senatorship.

A Baltimore despatch to the New York Tribune says Developments of the last week in Republican circles indicate that when the biennial session of the Legislature opens on January 5 the candidates in the race for the United States Senatorship will line up with Governor Lowndes in the lead, and Judge Louis E. McComas, Thomas J. Shryock, John V. L. Findlay, Major Alexander Shaw and Congressman Barber in the order named They are the regular entries. The dark horses are Congressman McIntire, of Baltimore City, Congressman Mudd, of the Sixth District, ex-Congressman Milton G. Urner, Postmaster-General Gary, B. H. Warner, Sr., ex-Judge George M Russum and Colonel Mullikin, of the Eastern Shore.

The politicians are still perplexed over the selection of J. Wirt Randall, of Anne Arundel county, as president of the Senate. While it appears to have been a signal victory for the Lowndes-Wellington combine, the friends of the Gary-Mul-ter-Shaw combination assert that it has no direct bearing on the fight for Senator. One of the most conservative members of the State Senate thus comments on the nomination of Mr. Randall

"So far as the election of Senator Gorman's success or is concerned, Mr. Randall's nomination means absolutely nothing. While he is usually ranked as a supporter of Governor Lowndes for the place, he himself has never indicated in the slightest degree how he will vote when the balloting for United States Senator takes place The only ground for belief that Mr. Randall will favor the Governor arises from the fact that they are close personal friends, and that their families are intimate in a social way.

"The fact that Mr Randall was chosen to the presidency by a combination of the friends of Governor Lowndes and those of Judge Louis E McComas is the most peculiar feature of the whole case, and has given rise to much speculation. It really means nothing more than that both sides are willing to trust the Anne Arundel Senator, in the confident belief that, whatever his personal preference might be, he would not use his official position as president of the Senate to aid either candidate."

The view of the situation from the standpoint of the practical politicians, however, is that in the organization of the Senate Governor Lowndes and his friends have scored a victory against the Malster-Gary-Shaw faction. The Lowndes people wanted Senator Dryden, of the Eastern Shore, as first choice, but when the Eastern Shore vote was divided by Senator Westcott and the Malster following, the Lowndes people turned to Senator Randall as a compromise choice, he being unidentified with any faction, but opposed, it is said, to Mr. Washington G. Tack, who is looked on as a Malster leader in Anne Arundel county.

Senator Dryden is accused by the Malster leaders of having engineered the movement, which from the vote cast by Senator Randall would indicate a combination of the Lowndes-Wellington-McComas men against the Gary-Malster men, even the three city Senators—Strobridge, Dobler and Pulsal—who were thought to be staunch Malster men, having gone into the camp of the enemy.

The anti-Malster leaders expect to be similarly successful in the organization of the House. It is reported that the county members will combine against of the Federal patronage, while on the other hand Mayor Malster can give them nothing in the way of patronage, as his favors must be distributed among the members of city councils.

There has been a good deal of talk in favor of John V. L. Findlay for Senator during the last few days. His friends insist that he is the choice of the National Administration, and that Postmaster General Gary's moves are being made in his interest, the object being to get the matter so hopelessly tied up politically that a compromise candidate will have to be advanced against Governor Lowndes, Major Shaw, Judge McComas and General Shryock. It is further asserted that some supposed friends of Major Shaw have been quietly working for several days in the interest of Mr. Findlay.

In the event of a deadlock it is certain that the entire Malster and Gary following, together with the Eastern Shore vote, will go to either Findlay or General Shryock, if Mr. Gary does not then want the honor himself.

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6.00 A. M.—Mixed to Vanceboro

7 00 A. M.—For Oldtown and all points on the B. & A. R. R.

12 10 P M.—Mixed for Mattawamkeag.

3 35 P M —For Vanceboro, St Stephen, Houlton, Woodstock and St. John.

3.45 P M —For Oldtown, Patten and Aroostook County points via B. & A R R

4.25 P.M.—For Oldtown and Greenville via B & A R. R.

6.25 P. M —For Oldtown and Mattawamkeag

GOING WEST.

7 15 A.M.—For all points West, connecting at Newport for Dover and Foxcroft, and Moosehead Lake, Burnham for Belfast, at Waterville for Oakland, Winthrop, Lewiston, Farmington and Phillips, at Portland for Montreal and Toronto.

12.35 P.M.—Mixed, for Waterville and way stations, connecting at Burnham for Belfast.

1.15 P.M.—Flying Yankee for Boston, with through Parlor Car running via Augusta, stopping at and connecting for Newport Dexter, Dover and Foxcroft, Moosehead Lake, Belfast, Skowhegan, Waterville, Augusta, Portland and Boston.

4.30 P.M.—For Dover and Foxcroft and Moosehead Lake via Dexter, and mixed from Newport for all stations as far as Waterville inclusive.

8.00 P.M.—Every Night for Portland and Boston via Augusta, connecting for Lewiston, and Bath. Pullman sleeping cars attached for Portland and Boston

11.25 P.M.—Express for Portland and Boston, with sleeping car attached for Portland and Boston.

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SUNDAY TRAINS.

7 15 A M.—For Waterville, Augusta, Portland and Boston.

8 00 P.M.—For Portland and Boston via Augusta, connecting for Bath and Lewiston. Pullman sleeping car attached.

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Through trains from the East arrive at 12 35 (Yankee) and 11 30 P M From Greenville 9 15 A M, B & A. 12 45 and 6 35 P M from all points Mattawamkeag 10 15 and 11 20 A M, (mixed) 5 05 P M mixed from Vanceboro

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Bangor & Aroostook Railroad.

ARRANGEMENT OF TRAINS,
IN EFFECT MONDAY, OCT. 4, 1897.

Pullman Buffet Parlor Car between Caribou and Bangor on trains leaving Caribou at 5 45 A. M. and Bangor at 3.45 P M.

Until further notice trains will leave Bangor as follows

7 00 A M.—For and arriving at Lagrange at 8 15 A M., Milo 8 40 A.M., Brownville 9.33 A.M., Katahdin Iron Works 9 49 A.M., Norcross 9.47 A.M., Sherman 10.05 A.M., Island Falls 11 20 A.M., Smyrna Mills 11.35 A M., Weeksboro 12.20 P.M., Mapleton 1 10 P.M., Ashland 1.35 P M., Houlton 12 20 P M., Presque Isle 2 05 P.M., Caribou 2 35 P.M., Fort Fairfield 2 50 P.M., Dover 9.15 A.M., Guilford 9.40 A M., Monson Junction 9.58 A.M., Greenville 11 00 A.M.

2 45 P. M.—For and arriving at Brownville 5.25 P M, Norcross, 6 32 P M, Sherman, 7 20 P. M., Island Falls 7 45 P M, Houlton 8 40 P M, Presque Isle 10.22 P.M., Caribou 10 00 P.M., Fort Fairfield 10 40 P M.

4 20 P.M.—For and arriving at Lagrange 5 45 P M, Dover 6 40 P M, Guilford 7.05 P.M., Monson Junction 7.23 P.M., Blanchard 7.43 P M., Greenville 8 20 P.M

ARRIVALS.

9.15 A.M.—Leaving Greenville 5 30 A.M., Monson Junction 5.53 A.M., Guilford 6.23 A.M., Dover 7 00 A.M., Brownville 7.15 A.M., Milo 7.36 A.M., Lagrange 7.57 A.M.

12 45 P.M.—Leaving Caribou 8.45 A.M., Presque Isle 9.15 A.M., Fort Fairfield 9.50 A.M., Houlton 7 05 A.M., Ashland 8 45 A.M., Masardis 7.08 A. M., Weeksboro 7.55 A.M., Smyrna Mills 8.30 A.M., Island Falls 8.50 A. M., Sherman 9 15 A.M., Norcross 10.11 A.M., Katahdin Iron Works 10.00 A. M., Brownville 11. 7 A.M.

6.35 P.M.—Leaving Greenville 2 30 P.M., Monson Junction 3.10 P.M., Guilford 3.37 P.M., Dover 4.20 P.M., Caribou 11 05 A.M., Presque Isle 11 55 A.M., Fort Fairfield 11 10 A M., Houlton 1.30 P.M., Island Falls 2.18 P.M., Sherman 2.43 P.M., Norcross 3.48 P.M., Brownville 4 41 P.M., Milo 4.58 P M, Lagrange 5.24 P.M.

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Washington Dec 28 Mr Eckles said today I have instructed the deputy comptroller, George M Coffin to call a meeting of the directors of the Chestnut Street National bank of Philadelphia to pass the necessary resolution and issue notice to the shareholders for a meeting to vote upon the proposition to go into voluntary liquidation In addition I have requested him to have the directors obtain at once the signatures of representatives holding two thirds of the bank stock, agreeing to vote for liquidation when the matter is presented at the meeting to be called

"Having done this I have stated to the comptroller he would then present the bank to go into voluntary liquidation after the vote is had on evidence being furnished that the creditors of the bank have accepted the plan proposed by the committee in place of evidences of indebtedness from the bank By having this arrangement before vote it will enable the people understand that immediately upon the consent of the creditors being secured the bank will be in the operation of a new and the expense of the receivership avoided upon a resumption

"I have sent the plan submitted to me to the officers and directors of the bank the result of which I have not yet learned Mr Sims called to see me this morning and I told him I would see Mr Coffin and the directors of the bank the result of which I will make known to Mr Sims when I receive the information

"The course I have taken in the matter is entirely independent of any action of the Treasury Department and I have not consulted with the Secretary of the Treasury in the matter I have taken the course I have because I believe it to be the best way to secure the interests of the depositors and I believe it will enable the bank to resume business at an early date I will be able to say that the Treasury Department could say that the bank was doing a sound business and that the Secretary of the Treasury would be willing to deposit the public money in the bank if the directors should see fit to do so

Asked if he had any information to the effect that the Treasury Department would be willing to deposit the public money in the bank if the directors should see fit to do so Mr Eckles said I have no information on the subject

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KENDUSKEAG NATIONAL BANK.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Kenduskeag National Bank of Bangor will be held at their Banking Room on TUESDAY, January 11th, 1898, at 11 o'clock a. m., to choose a Board of Directors and to transact any other business that may properly come before them.

GEORGE F. BRYANT, Cashier.

Bangor, Dec. 10th, 1897.

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E. G. WYMAN, Cashier.

Bangor, Dec. 6th, 1897.

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BREWER LOCALS.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Atwood, of Northeast Harbor, are visiting relatives in this city.

Mr. Linwood Day, of this city, is reported to be quite sick at his home on Main street.

Bert Downs, telegraph operator at Danforth, has been at his home in this city for a few days on account of illness.

A party consisting of W. G. Lowell, Craig Thayer, Mr. Fowler and others are to go on a hunting trip in the vicinity of Ellsworth.

Mr. Walter Fickett, of this city, is doing night duty for his brother, the city marshal, who is suffering with a severe throat trouble.

A special meeting of Esther Rebekah Lodge, No. 50, I. O. O. F., will be held this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock for the purpose of taking action on the annual returns to the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Mr. Percy Danielson, of this city, has staked off a plot of ice on the river opposite the Smith planing mill and is making further preparations for a skating rink to be run, if successful, all winter. It is understood that Mr. Danielson is going to have electric lights at his rink for evening skating and he also intends to have a place arranged where skaters may get warm.

Work putting in the new show window at F. D. Wyman's drug store on Main street is about finished, and the store front presents a fine appearance, and in fact is one of the best looking windows in town. On the ceiling each side of the entrands are electric lights with large reflectors throwing the light down, which makes things look very bright and inviting to the eye. Mr. Wyman is contemplating some other improvements on the interior of his store.

The Oak Hill Cemetery Association, of this city, held a meeting last evening at the city hall and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Mary Phillips; 1st vice president, Mrs. Dr. C. P. Thomas; 2d vice president, Mrs. Samuel Burr; 3d vice president, Mrs. S. H. Crowell; secretary, Miss E. M. Collins; treasurer, Mrs. Chas. Rand; finance committee, Mrs. Reuben Clay, Mrs. Hattie Atwood and Mrs. T. Farrington. The treasurer's report was then read. The amount on hand at the beginning of 1896 was $65 01; amount received from various sources, $84 92, making a total of $149 93. Amount paid out for labor, $124.17, leaving a balance of $25 76. It is requested that the members will send in their yearly dues to the treasurer, Mrs. Chas. Rand, or the secretary, Miss E. M. Collins.

BREWER'S HOTEL.

Some Prospects of Having One, but Could It Be Made to Pay?

It is understood that some parties were in the city Monday looking over the location, where C. I. Dean's stable was burned, near the ferry, with the view of a hotel scheme and it is known to be a fact that they made a proposition to a certain prominent horseman of this city, that if he would erect a first class stable, they would build a first class hotel and run the stable in connection with it. At first thought, this would seem quite a risk for anyone to undertake as it has always been the belief that a hotel in Brewer would not pay, owing to the fact that transient boarders are so few and far between and nothing to call travelling men on this side of the river while they are so well accommodated on the other.

All this of course has been considered by the prospecting parties, but it is understood that they are travelling men themselves and will be able to command a safe business from their friends on the road, but would cater principally to regular boarders.

There are a number of boarding houses already in this city and it is known that some of them are filled to overflowing and a great many people are obliged to go to Bangor who would stay in Brewer if there was a chance for them. During the summer months business men would find a hotel a very convenient place to get their meals, while their families were at the sea-shore, or even whole families—and there a few that have already expressed the wish that there was some place where they could "meal out" during hot weather without going to Bangor. What boarding houses there are in Brewer are doing a thriving business and could do more if they had the room and there is no reason why a well kept hotel could not be made to pay.

Owing to the fact that Brewer has never had a real out-and-out hotel and like everything else just starting in new, it requires a great amount of courage and encouragement on the part of those contemplating the undertaking, to be the first to institute such a business, especially in a strange place; but there is no doubt whatever, in this case, that if the parties have the required amount of courage that they will find plenty of the encouragement if they are really desirous of bringing their scheme to a head.

A great many are of the opinion that an office or business block would pay better at this point and they would much rather see a building of this kind than to see a hotel, but why they should object to the latter is not quite understood as a nice looking hotel would be as much improvement to the place as any building that could be put up.

Others say they don't like the idea of a hotel in the city under any circumstances, that the very word "hotel" sounds degrading and that they have a perfect horror of it. This is a rather absurd idea, the least that can be said, and if such ideas and opinions are allowed to rule, as is generally the case, Brewer better go stick her head in the mud and never pull it out again. What is the use trying to do anything if we are to be influenced by such minds as those? What Brewer wants is to get herself in condition to be annexed to Bangor and the sooner she does it the better.

"Ward eight" would not sound very bad, but she wants a good hotel to correspond with a "fat" alderman such as would be necessary to elect. But never mind, hotel men, if you really mean business and there are objections to your building on the recently burned spot, there are other places just as good. Try the vacant lot at the foot of Center street near the bridge, it is one of the best locations in town and has a good stable already to attach.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 19, 1896.

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THE WHEAT DEAL.

An Apparent Victory for Young Joseph Leiter

In His Fight Regarding Quality of Grain to be Delivered.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Joseph Leiter has apparently won a victory in his fight with George A. Seaverns, the grain elevator owner, as to the quality of wheat to be delivered on Leiter's contracts.

Leiter's commission men, Alexander Geddes & Co., sent the steamer Iron King last week to Seaverns' elevator, the Alton, to load with No. 2 red winter wheat. By the time 8,000 bushels of the steamer's cargo of 75,000 bushels had been spouted into its hold Leiter's private inspectors turned the wheat down. They declared it not up to contract.

Mr. Seaverns now offered to take the wheat out of the vessel and to give a different grade.

Leiter's commission men say the fight of the great deal is now on, that they intend to get just the kind of wheat they bought and no poorer. They have a fleet of vessels of which the Iron King is only one, ready to take all the No. 2 red winter wheat for which they hold contracts in the Alton elevator, about 250,000 bushels.

The Leiter people claim that the Alton grain has been mixed down too fine and that it is too late to change it. If this happens, the private inspectors employed by Leiter will protest, the appeals committee will at once be called upon and the fight will be made over again.

If it should happen that the appeals committee should throw out any quantity of the grain tendered by any elevator, a sensation might follow. The state grain inspection department have inspected the grain in the house, thereby permitting warehouse receipts to be issued against it. The state could be held responsible in case it developed that its employes had been too lenient.

There are about 8,000,000 bushels of contract wheat in the Chicago elevators. Leiter owns it all. It is still in the possession of the elevator people. Certain cargoes were taken from Armour's and found very satisfactory. It is, however, only as Leiter begins to load wheat out of the elevators that he can tell what kind of grain he is to get on his contracts.

LOSS OF THE FAIR WIND.

Ellsworth Captain and Crew Taken Off Just in Time.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 28.—The schooner Hattie May, which arrived here this forenoon from New York brought the crew of the Plymouth, Mass., schooner, Fair Wind, which went to the bottom on George's Banks. The Fair Wind was on a voyage from New York to Boston and was blown out of her course by heavy gales. She became unmanageable and was badly damaged. She was on the point of sinking when the Hattie May came along and took the crew on board.

The Fair Wind encountered a violent squall at 10 o'clock on the night of the 23rd. The vessel was then off Chatham, Mass. She was driven off shore and buffeted about by a fierce gale which carried away the bulwarks. Mountainous seas swept the decks and the schooner became so badly iced up that it was almost impossible to move about the deck.

She began to leak and for some time the crew were helpless. They suffered from frosts bites and exposure and the ship became unmanageable. When off the Georges Banks the captain saw that the schooner could not float much longer and set signals for assistance early Christmas morning.

In the afternoon the schooner Hattie May, bound from New York to Halifax, was sighted. She answered the signals of distress. After great difficulty the captain and crew of the unfortunate schooner were taken on board the Hattie May and the Fair Wind was abandoned. She went down soon afterwards.

The Fair Winds was built in Ellsworth, Me., in 1861, and registered 91 tons net, she was 83 feet long and 24 feet beam. She was owned by A. N. Reed, of Northampton, Mass., and was commanded by Capt. Charles E. Bowler, of Ellsworth, Me. She carried a cargo of cement.

A YARD FELL.

Six Lives Lost in an Accident on the Ship Vanloo.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 28.—A special despatch from Bermuda reports a terrible accident at sea on the ship Vanloo, in which six lives were lost. The Vanloo, which is on a voyage from Cardiff to St. John, N. B., has put in there with loss of sails. On the 20th instant the Vanloo's foreyards suddenly parted and fell to the deck with a crash. A number of men were at work in the rigging at the time and others were on deck immediately below.

Of nine who were carried down by the falling yard, or were struck when it descended, three were killed instantly and three others who took the chances of escaping by jumping into the sea, were drowned. None of the bodies were recovered.

Only the day before this accident one of the crew met a terrible death by falling from aloft to the deck.

The ship Vanloo belongs at Yarmouth, N. S.

AUTHORITIES INVESTIGATING

That Boiling to Death Case at Medfield Asylum.

Boston, Dec. 28.—The continuation of the inquest to determine the culpability, if any, which led to the death of W. G. Spearing, an insane patient at the Medfield asylum, who died, it is alleged, as the result of being scalded in a bath tub Dec. 1, last, began at 10 a. m. today in the office of Judge Fairbanks here. Attorney Greenwood representing Mrs. Spearing, was present. The representatives of the press were excluded.

Two Lowell undertakers, who received the body of Spearing and prepared it for burial, testified concerning its condition.

The main point at issue which their testimony was expected to make clear, was whether or not one car of the deceased was burned, as was claimed by Mrs. Spearing, and denied by the hospital authorities.

The undertakers claimed that they could not tell what the condition of the body was like when they handled it, as it was covered with plaster and cotton.

The inquest will be continued in the Medfield asylum on Friday, when attendants who happened in the vicinity of the bath room when the affair took place will be examined.

The report of the inquest will be filed with the clerk of Norfolk county at Dedham next week. The authorities are looking for F. Osmer Hill, the attendant, who gave Spearing his baths, as they desire to take his testimony. When he left the asylum he gave his address as Sprague's Mills, Me., but messages sent to that place have not reached him.

A Bad Fire in Detroit.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 28.—The Arcade building, owned by the Heineman estate, on West Larned street, burned early this morning, completely destroying the paper stock of Wm. C. Jupp, the stock and plant of Charles L. Roehm & Son, wholesale stationers, and the stock of perfume materials of the Elysium Mfg. Co.

The five story structure to the west of the Arcade building, occupied by the Detroit Free Press Printing Co. was flooded with water and the stocks and plants of the Free Press Printing Co., Cliff & Higgins, book binders, and the Habbin Engraving Co., were nearly ruined.

The total loss on the two buildings and their contents will reach $125,000, while the Free Press company sustains the heaviest share, about $60,000, with $45,000 insurance.

Cause of the fire is unknown.

Died From Poisoning.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 28.—Francis Mooney, 50 years of age, formerly employed by the American Screw Co., but who has been out of work for four months, was found unconscious from poison at his boarding place on Randall square shortly after 7 o'clock this morning. Medical attendance was at once sought, but in spite of the efforts of the physicians he died at 11 o'clock. Mooney has three children but has not lived with them for some time.

ALL OVER THE STATE.

A Perry ville, Auburn, man had occasion to take a ladder and climb to the ridgepole of his house the other day. While there his ladder fell down and he was obliged to remain on the roof until a friendly milkman came along and put up the ladder. It was cold on the roof and the man suffered, although he isn't saying anything about that part of it. He gives the impression that his time was fully occupied while his ladder was not available.

One evening last week a Lewistonian was standing on the corner of Lisbon and Main streets, shivering in his shoes while a curl of blue smoke with a strong smell of burning wool wound out of his overcoat pocket and up his back. "What's the matter?" demanded a man who knew him, and came running up. "I'm darned cold," said the man, unconscious of his pocket bonfire. "Put your hand in that pocket and it'll be warm." Down went the hand questioningly but came out with a leap, bringing a pipe and a burning handkerchief.

The Augusta Safe Deposit and Trust Co. opened a branch establishment at Winthrop Monday.

Tom Maxim, of Wayne, was in Lewiston not long ago, and had, with him a little drill made of the new steel which he had invented. He took it into Rand & Harvey's machine shop and while there showed some of men how hard it was. He asked them to take the hardest drill they had and try to drill a hole through it. They did so, putting it under a sharp, new power drill. Rand & Harvey keep good drills but this one blunted and sputtered without making any impression on Maxim's drill. Then Maxim put his drill into the machine and it chewed a hole through the side of Rand & Harvey's drill as though it had been cheese.—Lewiston Journal.

A new man come to West Franklin to plant potatoes has found that the potatoes which he dug Dec. 13 are better than those which his neighbors dug in September.

John W. Penny & Sons has been organized at Machias Falls for the purpose of the manufacture and sale of machinery and to operate a grist mill, with $100,000 capital stock, of which $300 is paid in. The officers are: President, Samuel R. Penney, of Machias Falls; treasurer, Almont R. Penny, of Machias Falls. Certificate approved Dec. 24, 1897.

William Hennessey, claiming Lewiston as his home, visited Gardiner Friday, and becoming cold "borrowed" an overcoat from in front of the store of A. Davenport. The police were informed of the trick and a close lookout was kept. The coat was found Monday morning, and Hennessey was soon arrested. He pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined $5 and costs or 30 days in jail and costs. In default of payment he went to jail for sixty days.

A certain Walpole man wouldn't be blamed much if he took stock in the idea of a guardian angel, considering these facts: Last Thursday while shingling on his barn, the singing slipped and he was precipitated twenty feet to the earth, where he landed in the mud about two feet from a stone wall.

A complaint was recently made to the Lewiston police that a farmer in the suburbs had dehorned twenty-one cattle.

Some of the giant oaks are yet left in Maine, and many of them at Winnegance are falling before the ship carpenter's ax, destined to float the ocean in the form of barges.

It is understood that the Paris Manufacturing Co. will appeal to the county commissioners for a reduction of their valuation, which was placed at $65,000 by the assessors of the town, and at $75 000 by the assessors of the village corporation.

A trade has been closed for the disposal of the Benner Match Co.'s plant in South Paris, and no more work will be done in it under the old management. It is not known whether the new proprietors intend to run it or not. The factory shut down Thursday night.

Mrs. M. N. Cushman, of Waterville fell and broke her hip Monday forenoon at her home on Maple street. She was hanging out clothes on a revolving reel fixed on a balcony at the rear of the house. As she pulled the reel about she leaned on the line, which gave way, precipitating her to the ground. The force of the fall was so great as to break her hip and it is feared that she has suffered internal injuries.

The hotel at Columbia Falls, known as the Crandon House, owned by Richard Allen, has been leased by Miss Flossie Plant and Mr. Augustus Barton, who will occupy it at once and open it as a public house.

E. I. White, of Machias, has lately bought extensive tracts of farm, wood and timber lands in Jonesboro. His principal purchase is the Noyes property, about 900 acres of timber and wood land, including the buildings on the Noyes farm, formerly the Corthell homestead. He also bought 100 acres of the Gilman estate claim, desirable for its timber chiefly but has a good granite quarry and some buildings thereon.

An Armenian woman has been in Bethel some time, selling small wares to earn money to get her children here from Armenia. Last week on her way to Gilead she was held up by a young man but was rescued by a gentleman, who was passing with a carriage. The fellow took to the woods but has since been arrested and tried before Justice Grover, who bound him over to the February term of court. He gave his name as Edward Leighton, of Franklin Roads, Me., and in default of bail was committed to jail.

One day last week a ticket was sold at the Union station at Portland good from Waldoboro in this State to Shanghai, China. The purchaser was a lady and she is going to the land of the Celestials on a pleasure trip. She was to be accompanied as far as Seattle by a lady friend.

Fifty thousand dollars in the city of Hallowell water loan bonds was awarded to Stanwood & Co., of Boston, Monday. The bonds are four per cent. gold, and are for 10—20 years. The bid was $104,487.

Maine's criminal record for 1897 is bad enough, as the crowded condition of the State prison at Thomaston will show, but it is most comforting to know that it has been much better than that of most States the past year, says the Portland Argus. Although there have been several murderous attempts there has been but one homicide in Maine during 1897—the case where John W. Lane, of Bonny Eagle, killed his wife and baby and then himself. This is the best twelve months' record for many years.

Arthur Blair who, for several years has ably filled the position of assistant cashier at the Gardiner bank, will have charge of the branch office of the Augusta Safe Deposit Co. recently opened in Winthrop, and has assumed the duties of the position.

The National Trotting Association still has a rod in pickle for the officers of Rigby Park, says the Boston Herald. Notices have been received from the board of review that at its next meeting to be held in Chicago in May, the report that Rigby has been making a practice of receiving conditional race entries will be investigated and that officers of the track will be summoned for examination in reference to the charges.

If a young man down in Monticello expects to have a room mate he may have to give bonds that he will quit dreaming. The other night while in a deep slumber, he dreamed that someone had broken into the house. Thereupon he painfully arose in his night clothes and shot twice at the intruder, the reports of the pistol being heard throughout the village. Upon the death of the intruder subsiding, he quietly retired to his room and soon was in the land of nod again. When he awoke in the morning he found that he had shot his room mate through the head.

One of the evils now existing in the Guard has been the poor attendance at ordinary drills and meetings for theoretical instruction. Only for a couple of months or so before camp has the attendance been what it should be. Gen. Richards has been wrestling with this problem, and has decided upon two things to help remedy it.

One is to grant a medal to every officer or enlisted man who has a perfect record of attendance at all military duties whatever for one calendar year, with an additional bar for each succeeding year of perfect attendance.

Abundant safeguards have been thrown around the issuing of this medal, so that it may never be granted to an unworthy man.

The second thing decided upon to increase attendance is to order that Gen. Newcomb shall make a competitive inspection of the different companies and corps. A blank form has been carefully drawn up, which will be used by the general on his next trip, and a copy has been sent to each company for its information. The general will mark the different points concerning each company according to a system which is fully explained on the form, and when his inspection is finished he will transmit the form, properly filled out, to the adjutant general. When the entire guard has been inspected the markings of the organizations in every subject will be tabulated, and the troops arranged according to order of general merit. This standing is to be published in orders during parade at the annual encampment, at which time a prize will be presented to the company or corps which comes out at the head.

Under the proposed system a company cannot receive a high rating without a great deal of hard work previous to the inspection, and it is believed that the preparation for inspection will be an incentive to better attendance and harder work. The plan has been used in Wisconsin for several years and has produced excellent results.

If captains would co-operate with the adjutant general and see that their companies have a progressive and varied programme of drill from night to night, there is no doubt that our troops would before many years come up to the standard of some of the crack regiments in other States, where a record of from 95 to 100 per cent. of attendance at each drill is made right along.

Gen. Richards has also adopted a new form of monthly return, which will go into effect in January. It is modeled on that used by the regular army, and will take the place of the morning report blank, the report of instruction, and the monthly report of strength now in use. The change will save clerical labor, and will enable the adjutant general to know just what every company and regiment has been doing during the month, and its exact strength on the last day.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

The Quarterly Meeting Held at the State House Monday.

The fourth quarterly meeting of the State Board of Health was held in the department at the State House Monday, all being present except Mr. C. C. Jordan, who was called to Boston, says the Kennebec Journal.

The secretary, Dr. A. G. Young, reported upon the diphtheria epidemic in the Madawaska region, and the action the board has taken in sending a doctor to help the local boards at Fort Kent and adjoining plantations; when the doctor left the region only two cases were present. Early in December the local board at Fort Kent reported that there were no cases in the town and other reports showed that there were no cases in the surrounding country. There has been some prevalence in the past few weeks and three deaths have been reported to the State Board.

The secretary also reported on the outbreak of diphtheria in Mapleton and surrounding towns, and the action he took in connection with the outbreak in Lewiston and one in Whiting.

A report was made by the board which attended the American Public Health Association at Philadelphia in regard to the transactions of the meeting.

Dr. Smith as the board's committee on antitoxin and vaccine material, reported the results of his examinations of the antitoxin establishments of Mulford & Co., in Philadelphia, and that of Parke, Davis & Co., in Detroit, and he stated that the output of these two establishments is perfectly trustworthy, and is now preferable for American practitioners to that derived from European laboratories, for the one reason, at least, that it is received in a fresher condition.

A special committee, consisting of Dr. Wedgewood, Dr. A. R. G. Smith and Dr. Young, was chosen to consider the action to be taken in connection with the unusual outbreaks of contagious diseases, and such as that which occurred in the Madawaska region.

Maine List of Fires.

Unless Maine skies are reddened by many and extensive conflagrations during the coming week the fire loss for 1897 will be exceedingly small, less than any year since 1890, and aggregating hardly $700,000, says the Portland Argus.

The largest fire of the year was that of May 12 which burned the big $125,000 ice house at Farmingdale. The second heaviest loss was that of Canton's $75,000 pulp mill. Other losses of over $10,000 have been H. E. Palmer's store at Bath, $40,000; a $15,000 fire at Monson; Hawkins' shoe factory at Deering, $30,000; St. Croix Exchange, Calais, $17,000; the Brewer tannery, $40,000; Burnham & Morrill's canning factory, Auburn, $25,000; steam saw mill at Augusta, $10,000; 30 buildings in the village of Vassalboro, $30 000; a $10,000 Waterville fire; a $20,000 fire in Rockland; the grand stand of the Eastern Maine Fair at Bangor, $12 000; Union Square Hotel, Houlton, $15,000; last Tuesday night's $60,000 fire in Lewiston, and Saturday's in Auburn, $10,000.

WESTERN FARM LABORERS.

The Transient Workers Who Harvest the North Dakota Wheat Crops.

There is a season between May and the middle of July during which the army of "hands" who work on these North Dakota wheat farms wait for the crops to ripen. In fact, except the half score of men who are regularly employed upon each place, all the men who are engaged upon the big farms—in plowing season, at seeding time, during harvest and when the season for thrashing comes, the men who do the most important work—are transient laborers. Frequently they are birds of passage, whose faces are familiar to the foremen, but whose homes may be a thousand miles away. Men of this character are not "hoboes," yet now and then a tramp does "rest from his loved employ" and work with the "harvest hands." A majority of the laborers come from the south in harvest time. These men are regular harvesters, who begin with the early June harvest in Oklahoma, working northward until the season closes in the Red river country.

Men of this class never pay railroad fare. Thousands of them—perhaps 15 men for every 1,000 acres in wheat—ride into the bonanza district on the "blind baggage" on passenger trains. When they have leisure and a taste for scenery, they felt placidly across the continent homeward bound in what the jingo of the cult calls "slide door sleepers." Many of these workmen live in the larger towns in the middle west—in St. Louis, in Omaha, in St. Paul, in Chicago or in Milwaukee. And they bring home probably $1,000,000 in wages. They are steady, industrious men with no bad habits and small ambitions. On the best farms there is no drinking, and card playing is strictly prohibited. The foremen say that cards keep men out of bed at night, and they have not their best strength to work during the day. There are no amusements on the farm, and at 9 o'clock the fatigue usually drives the men to bed.—William Allen White in Scribner's.

Needs a Stronger Man.

Mr. Piper—De Blank is so lazy he has to hire a valet to smoke for him.

Mrs. P.—I shouldn't think he'd have to pay a man for doing that.

Mr. Piper—But he smokes cigarettes, you see.—Detroit Free Press.

Where do the swallows of England go for the winter? Some go to Hindostan, some to Abyssinia and Mongolia, some to Algiers and some to Egypt. A naturalist who had his leg cut off in a railway accident in England

CITY AND VICINITY.

Professor Bateman will deliver the Memorial Day address for Wm. H. H. Rice Post, G. A. R., of Ellsworth.

The schooner Hatchins, from Calais to Boston, put in at Portland Monday leaking badly. She will repair there and then proceed.

A certain young man in this city, who claims to have kept a diary, says that we have had sleighing before New Years only once in five years.

The value of unincorporated townships and tracts of land in Washington county as valued and taxed by the board of county commissioners is: Value $80,000; tax $520 91. The above tax is to be expended on the county roads in the townships in 1898 by seven agents.

The Maine Pedagogical Society will begin its three days' meeting in the Representatives hall, Augusta, this afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock. The headquarters of the local committee, as well as the committees of the society, will be in the office of the State Superintendent of Schools.

A Lodge of Good Templars has been organized in Ellsworth, under the name of Neal Dow Lodge, No. 198. This was the name of the old lodge which went out of existence several years ago. The new lodge starts most auspiciously with twenty-four charter members and at the first meeting fourteen applications were received.

Charles McGouldrick, of Cherryfield, manager of the Cherryfield House stables, well known in this city, met with a painful accident a few days ago while driving from Franklin to Cherryfield. In crossing a small bridge a short distance out from Franklin the carriage was overturned and Mr. McGouldrick thrown to the ground with such force that his shoulder was broken.

At the meeting of the Maine Sportsmen's Association to be held in this city Tuesday afternoon, January 4, there promises to be a large attendance, half fare being offered from all the principal stations along the line of the Maine Central and also on the Bangor & Aroostook R. R. Hon. A. M. Spear, of Gardiner, will open the debate upon the question, "Should non-resident sportsmen be obliged to pay a license fee?" Mr. Spear will take the affirmative side. Chairman J. T. Carleton, of the fish and game commissioners, will be present and will speak upon the workings of the guide law.

As an illustration of the small force of sailors employed in the coasting vessels, the owners of which are only able to make both ends meet, the late grounding of schooner Mabie Phillips on Fawn bar is taken. She damaged her bottom so badly that she was totally submerged with water on arrival at a dock in Boston. She started from Calais in charge of Capt. Nutter and a crew of one man who deserted the ship when she was forced into Rockland, where Seaman Nelson Howard was shipped in his place and was accompanied by his wife, who suffered considerable hardship all Monday night while her husband and the skipper were engaged in trying to pump the vessel free, but were unable to get a suction. She was forced out on deck by the increasing water, which reached the height of the cabin stove, spoiled provisions and damaged personal effects. The vessel was only kept afloat by her cargo of lumber.

St. Albans News.

Our correspondent writes: The two churches, Methodist and Friends, united their Sabbath schools Christmas eve., Dec. 24 b, and put up their Christmas trees at the Town Hall. A large crowd was present to hear the music and get their presents from the well filled trees, and the little folks as well as the older ones were made happy by the distribution of the gifts. The pastors of the churches, Rev. I. H. Lidstone and Rev. H. M. Hall, were present and made some very appropriate remarks. The management was under the charge of U. G. Harding, Esq., superintendent of the Friends Sabbath school, and Mrs. Annie E. Prescott directed the music and recitations of the children, while Mrs. Minnie Southards looked after the gifts as they were brought in and saw that they were properly hung on the trees.

At the regular meeting of the George Geodwin Post, G. A. R., the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year: Com., O. A. Parkman; S. V. C., F. S. Fields; J. V. C., Daniel Weeks; O. of D., J. S. Parker; O. of G., Hiram Marten; S., Joe Welch; Q. M., F. M. Wilkins; C., H. P. Allen; Delegates to the State Encampment, Daniel Weeks and C. H. Bartlett. The officers will be installed Jan. 8th and the Boys in Blue will furnish and partake with invited guests of an oyster supper and pastry, washed down with hot coffee and tell their war stories around the camp fire.

N. B. Turner, Esq., the shovel handle manufacturer, and family, who went to California three months ago on a visit, has returned and started up his factory, employing six or seven men. His finished handles find a ready market at North Easton, Mass.

Melvin Bigelow, Esq., who has been on the road as traveling salesman for a Portland firm, after a summer's vacation is again on the road for another Portland firm.

The new opera house being built at Hartland is all closed in and the carpenters and painters are at work on the inside. It is a neat and commodious building and an honor to the enterprise of the business men of the town and the members of the several secret orders who will find a home in the lodge rooms in the second story.

Stockton Springs News.

Our correspondent writes: Mr. Manly Lancaster and family, of Bangor, are spending the holidays in town.

Misses Lillian and Lura Simmons, of Boston, and Miss Mabel Simmons, of Castine, spent Christmas with their mother, Mrs. R. A. Simmons, on School street.

Josiah and Pierce Lancaster, of Bangor, are visiting friends at Pleasant Point.

The gift sociable at Denslow Hall Saturday evening was well attended and quite a success. The object was a worthy one and all seemed willing to respond to the call.

Mr. Benjamin Grant, who had a slight shock of paralysis a week ago, remains about the same.

Capt. Charles Amer, of Seattle, who is spending the winter with his mother, has lately purchased a fine horse, "Joe Howe."

A little more snow is seriously looked for to give the trotters a chance to show their speed. Quite a number claim to have the best and only good traveling can decide it.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Griffin, of New Bedford, Mass., are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a new daughter.

West Levant News.

Our correspondent writes: A fine Christmas tree and entertainment at the church Saturday evening was much enjoyed by old and young. Some excellent music, by Mr. E. A. Carter and Fred Briggs, with Miss Grace Morrison, organist, was first listened to by an appreciative audience with which the house was well filled. The music was followed by the appearance of little Ethel Carter, in full concert dress, who sang in a very pleasing manner a beautiful Christmas song. Several recitations by the little folks were well rendered. The songs, "The way to make a show," and "Calling Santa," were exceptionally fine, rendered by Ethel Carter, whose sweet and graceful ways won the praise and admiration of all. The tinkling of bells announced the swift arrival of Santa Claus who closely resembled himself though his voice and that of our genial neighbor, T. N. Morrison, were strangely alike. Santa's duties were well and pleasingly performed and a short song given which brought down the house. An enjoyable concert followed the distribution of the presents, which were numerous. The entertainment was pronounced one of the very best ever given here.

Miss Grace Morrison is spending a few days' vacation with her parents.

The Ladies' Aid Society meets with Mrs. George Emerson Jan. 5th.

Mrs. Lucy Wiggin is spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Felker.

Winn News.

Our correspondent writes: The Winn Rink was crowded Monday night on the occasion of the coffee party for the benefit of the Sacred Heart church at Winn, and it was pronounced a success in every particular. The Medway Minstrels, of whom a large part are former residents of Winn, won much applause. A large number from out of town were in attendance and many former residents of Winn were among them.

A little flirt of snow has helped out sleighing somewhat, but wheels are mostly used in traveling.

The Christmas tree held at St. Thomas' church Saturday evening gave the usual good cheer and joy to the participants, both young and old.

What Is the English Throne?

The English throne—what is it? Is it the stone chair of Westminster abbey? That is only occupied once by each king or queen, and that only at the coronation ceremony. Is it the chair of state in the house of lords or the reception chair at Buckingham palace or the sumptuous gilt thing which Victoria uses at Windsor when she receives the foreign envoys? It is an interesting question, which some people would like to have answered. Most everybody, however, has come to the conclusion that in the majority of countries the throne is merely a symbol, and the expressions, "He has succeeded to the throne" and "Speeches from the throne," are only metaphors.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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BOSTON

LOCAL MATTERS.

The county commissioners met at the Court House on Tuesday to attend to routine business.

The fire station in Ward Seven was opened on Tuesday and Hose 7 has moved into its new quarters.

The usual Wednesday evening prayer meeting will be held this evening in the Hammond street church vestry.

Charity Circle of King's Daughters will meet at Mrs James H. Hayes', No 37 Essex street, Thursday afternoon at 2 30

On the night of January 3 all of the members of the Bangor fire department will unite in a banquet at the Windsor. Formerly each company has had supper at a different restaurant on the same evening.

Mr. John Pierce, of New York, is in the city at the Bangor House He has recently made a contract amounting to nearly $2,000,000 to furnish granite from the Hallowell quarries for the new Hall of Records in New York

On Tuesday Miss Lillie Smith and Miss Nella Moriarty, of Carmel, came to Bangor from West Sebois with two deer which they shot in that region. The animals were bucks. Messrs J Spencer and T D Spencer, of this city, each brought down two deer and F L. Bassett, of Lynn, Mass, had one which he secured at Oldtown.

W E. Wymaq, the Canadian Pacific railway brakeman, who had his leg and arm cut off by falling under a train at Chester Saturday morning, died at his home in Henderson Monday night as the result of his injuries. It was the intention to take him to the hospital at Montreal on the midnight express but his condition would not allow it Mrs Wyman is sick with typhoid fever

Landlord A H Walker of the Moosehead Inn, started on Monday from Greenville Junction and Landlord O A Dennen, of the Kineo House, left Kineo, both with crews, and they bushed the stage road over Moosehead lake from Greenville to Kineo. Landlord Sawyer, of the Lake House, bushed a road from Greenville to the main road at Harper's point. There are several bad seams in the ice over which it is impossible for a team to cross, but if the cold weather continues these will freeze and the stage will be started by the last of the week.

At the residence of Mr. Joel Hills, in Union, Saturday night, his daughter, Evelyn R, and Mr. Edmund L. Oxton, of Bangor, were united in marriage Rev Vinal Hills performed the ceremony in the presence of relatives and friends. The bride's sister, Miss Minnie Hills, acted as bridesmaid, and Mr Edward Mathews, of Belfast, as best man. Mrs Oxton is a graduate of Farmington Normal school and has always been a very successful teacher Mr Oxton has a new house nearly completed on 14th street in Bangor where they are soon to reside

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The City of Bangor will sell at public auction in the Common Council Room, City Hall, on January 1st, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m., the school house and lot on Grove Street, at the corner of Garland Street, and the school house and lot on Hancock Street.

Any person wishing to make a careful examination of the property may obtain the keys of School Agent A F Tibbetts

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BUY YOUR NEW YEAR'S GIFTS HERE.

The Bible class at the Y. M. C. A. parlors will resume its meetings this evening

The University of Maine quartette was in the city Tuesday on its way to Benton to give a concert last evening.

The annual meeting of the Penobscot Agricultural Society will be held in room 2, City building, Monday, January 3, at 10 A. M.

The office of the Penobscot Exchange is being improved by the putting in of a steel ceiling, under the charge of Marston & Gorham.

Rev G W. Hinckley, of Good Will Home, and son, Walter P, are in the city They leave today for Moncton, N-B, to attend the boys' meeting of the Maritime Provinces.

In the Municipal Court on Tuesday, Reuben H Hamilton, on a search and seizure process, was fined $100 and costs and sentenced to 60 days in jail He appealed and gave bonds.

It is rumored that another and much larger Catholic church will be built in Bar Harbor before next season. The accommodations in the pretty little church at St Sylvia are too limited for the number of worshippers in the summer.

Miss Margaret Mather and her manager, W. J Scanlan, left on the noon train Tuesday for Portland to present "Cymbeline" on Tuesday and this evening The other members of Miss Mather's company went to Portland on the morning train.

Work on the breakwater at Rockland has for a short time been suspended and nearly all the men have left the island. It is understood that the scows will receive needed repairs before spring, when a much larger crew will be put on to complete the job

The Grace Methodist and Second Baptist churches will unite to hold a watch meeting Friday night at the Columbia street vestry. The services will begin at 9 o clock and close with welcoming the New Year in at 12. All who are interested are invited.

E. A Buck & Co.'s moccasins have attained wide celebrity. They have just received an inquiry for price lists from Japan They have also received from the United States government a large order for moccasins to supply the federal troops to be stationed in the Alaska gold fields. The moccasins will be shipped at once to Vancouver.

Mr. William Armstrong, the poultry dealer, was in Bangor yesterday and stated in regard to the turkeys seized at Houlton last week that there was no attempt at smuggling whatever. He said he expected to pay the duty and the difficulty arose from a mistake. He said that many times he had shipped turkeys across the border to this market, but they had always come via Vanceboro, and he had paid the duties in such cases to Collector Simpson after the consignment had been received here. So he expected to do this time, but his shipper on the other side, through an oversight, sent this lot via the B & A. without paying the duty or notifying him, and naturally the goods were seized. Mr. Armstrong was in this city at the time and when notified of the seizure went to Houlton, paid the duty, got his turkeys and brought them here Mr. Armstrong said that none of the turkeys had been sold to any Bangor marketmen, they being his own property. The boxes were marked with his name on them, and for reasons of his own he had three of the boxes marked with the names of three Bangor marketmen also, expecting to make sale of the boxes so marked when they should reach this city He said he had not sold any of the goods to Mr. C. J. Lynch, although he had put the latter's name on one of the boxes for the purpose of distinguishing it, as he had done with two of the others. He says that Mr. Lynch had nothing to do with the shipment.

Shaw-Richards Recital

The following are some press comments regarding Miss Harriet Shaw, the well known harpist, and Mrs. Richards, the reader, who will appear at Y. M. C. A. Hall on the evening of January 4th

Boston Gazette. Miss Shaw has a brilliant technique and her playing is characterized by refined musical taste and artistic sentiment. She has mastered the difficulties of the difficult instrument to which she has devoted her talents and was steadily interesting, not only by reason of her excellent technical skill, but also because of her striving to impart variety of effect and of color to her performances, and to avoid the familiar conventionalities of harp playing.

Boston Daily Advertiser Pierce Hall was quite inadequate, despite the snow storm, to hold the company of spectators that gathered last evening to hear the dramatic dialect recital of Mrs. Waldo Richards. * * * The first part of the programme was the recitations in dialect. The comment on these will come painfully nearer the superlative than the conservative critic is in the habit of going. The suggestion of the performance was that Mrs. Richards has not learned dialects second-hand from some alleged teacher of elocution One could almost see the artist seeking out the negro, the Hoosier and the others, and listening with ear intent to catch the very tones and mannerisms of the subjects

A Business Change

As the new year approaches business changes are common, but one that will surprise many is the announcement of Mr. Lemuel Nichols that he has concluded to go out of the goose business and attend strictly to the livery stable. Those who read the recent notice of his Christmas present will appreciate this when they learn that a Mr L Nichols, of East Corinth, reading the article Monday in THE WHIG, came forward and claimed as his property the pair of white geese that had been delivered to Mr. L Nichols, of Bangor. Our friend of the "Grand Central livery" will henceforth appreciate Edward Everett Hale's story of "My Double and How He Undid Me"

Enjoyable Reception

At the vestry of the First M E church, Pine street, last evening, an enjoyable reception was given by the "Ladies' Union to the gentlemen of the parish. There was a good attendance and the evening was very pleasantly passed. The entertainment was by the phonograph, which was operated by Mr. George Lansil, much to the interest of all in attendance. Delicious refreshments were served during the evening.

Maine Man Shot in Texas.

News has been received in Sedgwick that Ellis Dority, a former citizen of that place, has been shot and killed at Corpus Christi, Texas. The particulars of the shooting are not given further than the statement that it was in self defence.

The murdered man is a nephew of Deputy Sheriff H. N. Dority, of Sedgwick. He left Maine several years ago. He bore a good reputation when here.

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FELL FROM THE BRIDGE.

Michael O'Leary Receives a Scalp Wound on Tuesday Evening.

At 7 o'clock Tuesday evening Patrolman Sproul, who is now holding the ribbons over the patrol wagon, received a telephone call for the wagon to the foot of Exchange street and he responded, Capt. Fabey also going in the wagon to the place indicated.

They found that Michael O'Leary, who lives on Hazel lane, had had a fall from the draw bridge at the mouth of Kenduskeag stream, and had been injured. Patrolmen Mackie and Reagan had found the man after his fall and had sent in the call for the wagon to have him conveyed to the police station.

O'Leary, who had been walking across the bridge, fell upon the walk and then rolled underneath the guard rail.

He fell to the ice below, a distance of between fifteen and twenty feet. He was taken up by the officers in a helpless condition and apparently badly injured.

He was driven to the station in the patrol wagon and was there attended by a physician. Strange to say the only injury which he received was a cut on the back of his head which required several stitches. After receiving the needed attention he was taken to his home in Hazel lane.

THE TEMPERATURE

Atmospheric Conditions as Shown by Methodical Observations.

The following table gives the weather conditions as shown by the thermometer and barometer at Miller's pharmacy:

	Barometer	Thermometer
Dec 28, 7 A M	30 2	6
12 M	30 2	20
6 P.M	30 2	11

Death of Former Monroe Man

News was received in this city last night of the death in Boston of Willard Cates, formerly of Monroe Mr Cates was about 60 years of age He was born in Thorndike and when quite young moved to Rockland, where he settled. For several years he conducted a store there, after which he was connected with a foundry at the North End., He was also an officer at the Maine State prison for several years and when quite young he taught school. From Rockland he moved to Monroe, where he lived a short time, moving to Tenant's Harbor and from there to Lewiston, where he conducted a market. His last days were spent in Boston. The deceased was a charter member of the Aurora lodge, of Rockland Besides a wife he leaves three daughters and three sons. The remains were taken to Rockland last night for burial

Death of Mr. Paul D Webster

Mr Paul D. Webster, of Orono, died there yesterday afternoon, at the advanced age of 83 years He had been in infirm health for some months, but had been confined to the house only a few weeks. He leaves a widow, a daughter, Mrs Weston F Milliken, of Portland, and two sons, Henry Webster, of Minneapolis, and Charles M Webster, of Orono All the family were present at the time of his decease, those living at a distance having been summoned several days ago The death of Mr. Webster will be a matter of deep regret to many friends here and elsewhere and the family will have the sympathy of all.

The funeral services will be held on Friday at 11 A. M. at his late residence on Main street

Tuesday's Fire

On Tuesday afternoon an alarm was rung in from box 61, at Morse's mills, and the fire department found the cause to be a fire in what used to be the smoke house of Sumner Nash's sausage factory further up Valley avenue and near the salt mill. This factory was entirely burned about two years ago, with the exception of the smoke house section, which is partly of brick.

A man named Crocker has been living there and keeping two horses in a part of the place. It is reported that the cause of the fire was the dropping of a lighted match by Crocker upon some hay. The fire department steamer took some water from Kenduskeag stream and soon extinguished the fire

A Deer Case

The game wardens in this city went to Bucksport yesterday and took in charge Harry Grant, of Verona, and Howard Haskell, his brother-in-law, of Revere, Mass, on the charge of killing a deer in the region around Verona on Sunday. The men were arrested on complaint of some person at Bucksport. The men claimed that they did not kill the deer Sunday but early Monday morning. They were brought to this city and arraigned before Judge Vose in the Municipal Court Haskell pleaded guilty and was fined $40 and costs which he will probably pay.

Our Own Folks and Other Folks

Mr. W. A. Cole, of Boston, is in the city.

Mr. C A. Simmons, of Union, is in the city.

Mr C S Whitney, of Gardiner, is in the city

Mr F E Davis, of Brownville, is in the city.

Mr. C. J. Farrington, of Portland, is in the city.

Mr. A. G Chambers, of Haynesville, is in the city.

Mr. Thos. L. Dunn, of the Maine Central, is in the city.

Dr. H H. De Beck, of Winn, was in the city yesterday.

Hon. G. M. Warren, of Castine, is in the city on business.

Mr. H. F. Whitcomb, of Ellsworth, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. Gallert, of Ellsworth, was in the city at the Bangor House Tuesday.

Col. W. A. R. Boothby, of Waterville, was in the city Tuesday on business.

Hon. William Engel left on the noon train Tuesday for Boston on business.

Mr. Harry D. Benson, of Benson & Miller, has gone into the woods for a few days' hunting trip.

Mr. and Mrs. John A Weatherbee left Tuesday for Fort Fairfield for a visit of a week or ten days.

Mr. W. E. S Whitman, of Augusta, the well known newspaper correspondent, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. Burleigh Pease is reported as steadily improving from the severe illness with which he has been afflicted for some time.

Rev. Earl B. Wood, of this city, has received a call to the pastorate of the Congregational church at Fort Fairfield.

Mr. John Jewett, formerly a well known conductor on the Maine Central railroad, is seriously ill at his home in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. Thurston and Miss Thurston went to Bucksport Tuesday afternoon to attend the Parker-Swasey wedding.

Mr. Dudley Sargent, physical director of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, who has been visiting in Brattleboro, Vt., a few days, returns today.

His many Bangor friends will regret to learn of the illness with typhoid fever of Frank Hamlin, Esq., of Chicago, formerly of Bangor.

Landlord A. W. Thayer, of the Bangor Exchange, Henry H. Cheney, of Camden, and others have gone to Millinocket on a hunting trip of a few days.

Mr. John Ross [illegible]

POPULAR CONCERT

At Grace M E Church Tuesday Evening

The second popular ten cent concert at Grace Methodist church last evening was a well attended and enjoyable event. The programme was as follows

Piano Solo Part First.
Miss Bernice Cobb.
Song
Miss Faustina Curtis.
Song "The Two Grenadiers" Schumann
Mr George T. Moody.
Reading
Mrs. Ada Lougee
Song
Mr A. C. Morton
Part Second.
Autoharp Selection
Miss Mae Bilsby
Song
Miss Rosa Berry
Reading
Mrs. Lougee.
Duet "Life's Merry Morning" Bailey
Miss Rosa Berry, Mr. A. C. Morton
Piano and Organ Duet
Miss Mae Bilsby, Miss Faustina Curtis

Mrs. Lougee, who during the past eight years has sustained a high reputation as a reader and teacher of elocution in Boston, made her first appearance in this city and made a most favorable impression by her excellent recitals, which were presented with very pleasing effect and encored

Each of the local artists was heard with so much enjoyment that every number received an encore.

A LOG CASE

Begun in Bangor on Tuesday

On Tuesday afternoon in the library of the Court House the case of Stetson & Gilbert vs. Bradstreet & Milliken, a suit for the recovery of the price of logs, was begun before Judge Andrew P. Wiswell, of the Supreme Court, as referee. Hon. O. D Baker of Augusta, appeared for the defendants, and Appleton & Chaplin for the plaintiffs

A brief statement of the case is as follows: During the winter of 1896 the plaintiffs cut logs in township 4 range 11 above Bingham's Kennebec Purchase. Messrs Bradstreet and Milliken, defendants, came to the scene of the plaintiffs' operations and looked over the logs On April 3 1896, a contract was made between Messrs. Bradstreet and Milliken and Messrs. Stetson and Gilbert for the purchase of certain logs All of the logs cut that winter in 4 R 4, by Stetson and Gilbert and marked "h girdle N," were to be bought and delivered on Seboomook dead waters The price was to be $9 30 per thousand, and each log was to be considered to contain 120 feet It was provided that if any logs should fail of delivery they should not be paid for. Stetson & Gilbert were to have rescale if it was desired

The plaintiffs claim $4 661 43 due, which the defendants refuse to pay, claiming that they did not receive the number of feet contracted for

The first witness was Fred A Gilbert, of the defendant firm, who had charge of the operations in 4 R 4 in 1896 He kept a record of the operation This record, made daily by the clerk, is lost. He had charge of the drive and all of the h-girdle-N logs, he testified, were driven into Seboomook Dead Water. The rear of the drive came in about June 12

Charles J. McCloud, scaler of the plaintiff's operations in 1896, testified that he saw the plaintiff's account book, now lost. He made up his bill partly from that book Mr McCloud produced his account, copied from the plaintiff's lost book

At this point there was a discussion on the admissibility of the testimony regarding the count of the logs in question.

Mr. McCloud then continued his testimony and said that the logs were scaled first on January 23, 1896, when 1,000 pieces had been landed. He kept a record of only the net scale, which is the common Penobscot method

Late in the afternoon Mr Baker opened for the defence The case will be continued today.

NEW CORPORATION

Harriman & Ring Company

The Harriman & Ring Company has been formed in Orono to carry on the business of buying and selling inventions and letters patent for inventions, manufacturing, selling, granting and leasing articles embodying such inventions, to own, buy, lease and sell all kinds of property, real and personal, etc.

The capital stock is $15 000
The amount paid in is $1,375
The par value of shares is $25
The officers are as follows
President—Charles B. Ring
Treasurer—Charles E Drew
Directors—Charles B. Ring, Charles E Drew, Martin V. B. Judkins, J A Borrett and Alonzo H. Harriman

AMUSEMENTS

Martine-Whittier Comedy Company.

The Whittier-Martine Comedy company gave the second performance of its week's engagement at The Norombega on Tuesday night before another good sized audience, which evidently appreciated the evening's entertainment The play was "The Bachelor's Wife," an amusing comedy of quality. It was put on with good effect, the members of the cast doing commendable work.

The specialties took well. Nellie Mooyah did some daring silver wire work and Mr. Whittier's illustrated songs were again received with favor.

Tonight the play will be "The Lighthouse Keeper."

The Daughter is Well Provided For

Philip Girard, who lives on Pleasant street on Tuesday was endeavoring to find his daughter Lizzie, fourteen years old, whom he said left her home accompanied by her two young brothers to go to St Mary's school to attend a Christmas entertainment, which was given there for the children. Since that time she has not been home. Girard said that on Tuesday morning he learned that his daughter had passed the night at a house at the foot of Union street. The woman whom he saw there said she came to the house about 11 o'clock Monday night and left there at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. He said that he heard a rap on the door of his house about 10 30 o'clock Monday night, but it was not that of his daughter He sat up all night, he said, waiting for her to come home. We are informed that the little girl is well provided for at present. Her case will be investigated by the proper officials.

Anchor Lodge Officers

Anchor Lodge No, 4, Ancient Order of United Workmen, elected the following officers last evening.

P. M. A—Thomas H. Flannigan.
M W—Joseph F. Carr
F—Charles H. Pierce.
O.—H. P. Ryder.
Recorder—Louis C. Davis.
Financier—E. J. Davis.
Receiver—G. F. Cameron.
G—P. J. Flannigan.
I W.—F L. Stewart.
O. W—F. G. Harrison.
Trustee—George M. Curtis.
Representative to Grand Lodge—T. H. Flannigan.
Alternate to Grand Lodge—G F. Cameron.

Boys' Social.

At the Y. M. C. A. building last evening from 6 to 8 the annual boys' social was held and it was a pleasant event for the youngsters. There was a good attendance. At 6 o'clock an excellent supper of boughten quality was served and after [illegible]

DANCING PARTY

Given by Mr and Mrs A R Hopkins for Their Son

On Tuesday night Mr and Mrs A R Hopkins gave a dancing party for their son, Charles Sterns Hopkins, at Society Hall and the occasion was one of much pleasure. Many friends of Mr Charles Hopkins and of the family were present and greatly enjoyed the evening

The hall was handsomely decorated by Florist Schenger who, as usual, used great taste in the arrangement of the green growths and flowers, adding very much to the always attractive appearance of the hall A pleasing order of dances was carried out, and the music by Pullen's orchestra was of the customary inspiring quality

New Advertisements

Thursday, at 9 30 A M, a remarkable cloak sale will begin at "The Fashion," an unparalleled purchase having led to this step Prices will be slaughtered Thursday, Friday and Saturday they offer their "Christmas left-overs" at reduced prices See "ads

Great remnant sale at the Rines Co's now on. The usual great bargains are to be had at this popular and up-to-date establishment.

Homstead has a fine line of skating boots for ladies See "ad"

See winter rates and schedule of Boston steamers.

Moses' floral work is well known for its artistic quality His designs are choice. See about it at Harlow's

Strong lamp chimneys at P H Vose & Co's.

Meeting of St Andrew's lodge this evening.

Meeting of M M R A C this evening.

Inquiry Begun by Commission

Farmington, Me, Dec 28 The inquiry into the accident on the railroad yard here in which Engineer Barker was killed, was begun by the railroad commissioner this afternoon, Hon Joseph B Peak Chairman

Ice Cut will be Larger

Wolfboro, N H, Dec. 28 As a result of continued cold weather Lake Winnipesaukee is now frozen its entire length. Parties are in this section making arrangements for the cutting of ice for the down country market It is stated that this year's ice cut from Lake Winnepesaukee will be considerably larger than for a number of years past

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

Condensed Dispatches From Different Quarters

The prestige of the Arrida has been lowered and their punishment has paved the way for permanent settlement of the country It is believed that cut off from India and threatened with a re-invasion by the British in the spring, they will now submit.

Advices from Dawson City to Nov 25 state that there will be no starvation there this winter or next spring and the relief measures of the government are unnecessary.

Near winter City, Miss, a negro murderer was captured and lynched

Judge Foster was given a testimonial banquet by the Sagadahoc Bar at Bath last night

At the last meeting of the ambassadors at Constantinople the Russian representative created surprise by proposing Prince George of Greece as governor of Crete. It was coldly received

As the Greek gunboats Tuesday were leaving the Gulf of Ambracia they were fired on a second time by the Prevesa forts The garrison also fired repeated volleys. This action, after Turkey had apologized, is supposed to be intended to create a precedent for closing the gulf

A Vienna paper says the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister foretold every thing in his speech appealing to Europe to unite against America It adds "There is plenty of room for all and if England will fight with the European powers against those dangerous rivals, the United States and Japan, the proof of what united Europe is capable of will be given in eastern Asia"

INTERESTING FACTS

Spoo and Wood Novelty Industries as Investigated by Commissioner Matthews.

In the forthcoming report of the Commissioner of Labor and Industrial Statistics, will appear an extended description of the spool and wood novelty industries in the State, which will be of great interest to the public, as these industries have never before been written up, says the Kennebec Journal

Among the interesting facts given in these articles, is the statement that there are 17 spool factories and 22 wood novelty factories in the State

The spool factories alone, employ 900 hands, whose average wages are $1 90 per day, making a total of $247 500 per year paid for the help in this branch of the work Then there are 30 500 cords, or 15,250 000 feet of birch wood required each year the average price per cord being $4 This wood makes 250 000,000 spools, that will hold 200 yards of thread

The term "wood novelty" applies to all the small articles turned from wood, such as handles, druggists' boxes, hardware dealers' boxes, dice boxes, checkers, blueing boxes, wooden stoppers, thimble cases, toothpicks, and many other things, almost numberless

Probably the largest factory is at South Paris, where 175 men are employed. During the past year they have made an almost inconceivable number of articles, there being in the list 100 000 small carts and wheelbarrows for children, 25 000 tables, 18,000 chairs, 11 000 desks, 12 500 cycle stands, 15,000 step ladders, 3 000 swings, 38,000 sleds, 15,000 school desks and chairs and 1,200 baby sleighs These goods are sent to all parts of the United States and Europe

One firm has just completed an order for 5,000,000 skewers such as are used by butchers.

Another Paris concern makes a specialty of bicycle rims, there being but two other such factories in America

A Dixfield firm has just completed an order for 8 000 000 checkers and 200 000 dice boxes

At another Dixfield factory, they manufactured 52,000,000 toothpicks while a Strong manufactory turned out six billions, that were sent to all parts of the civilized world

And it should be considered that the wood from which these novelties are made was once considered of but very little commercial value

The Little Drummer's Last Call

A pathetic story of the civil war was related by the corporal of an Illinois regiment who was captured by the Confederates at the battle of Wilson's Creek and is repeated in Women of the War

The day before the regiment was ordered by special troops to march toward Springfield, the drummer of the company fell ill There was no one to take his place and while the captain was wondering how he should supply the lack a pale, sorrow stricken woman appeared at his tent door begging an interview She brought with her a little boy of twelve or thirteen years whom she wished to place in the regiment as drummer-boy

"Captain, she said after the boy had been accepted he won't be in much danger, will he

"No, I think not replied the officer "We shall be disbanded in a few weeks I am confident

The new drummer soon became a favorite, and there was never a feast of fruit or other hardly procured luxuries that Eddie did not get his share of The soldiers were struck by the child's enthusiastic devotion and declared that his drumming was different from that of all other drummers in the army

After the engagement at Wilson's Creek where the Federals were defeated Corporal B— who had been thrown from his horse found himself lying concealed from view near a clump of trees As he lay there with his ear to the ground, he heard the sound of a drum distinct but rather faint In a moment he recognized the strokes of Eddie the boy drummer and he crept toward the spot where the sound proceeded His drum was hanging from a shrub within reach and his face was deadly pale

"O corporal said he I am glad you came! Won't you give me a drink of water please

The corporal ran for a little stream close by and brought the child a draught Just at this moment there came an order for the retreat and the corporal turned to go

"Don't leave me said the little drummer I can't walk" He stopped and pointed to his feet

The corporal saw with horror that both feet had been shot off by a cannon ball

He said the doctors could not help him continued the boy pointing to the dead body of a Confederate soldier who lay beside him "He was shot all to pieces but he crawled over here and—and my legs are—so they would not bleed so" And Eddie closed his eyes wearily.

The corporal's eyes were filled with tears as he took down the Confederate soldier, shot in cold blood in the agonies of the last struggle had managed to take off his suspenders and bind the boy's leg above the knee

As the corporal bent down to take the child a body of Confederate troops came up and he was a prisoner With a sob in his voice he told the story and the Southern soldier tenderly lifted the wounded drummer on to his own horse swinging the drum before him When the little cavalcade reached camp Eddie was dead but the little drummer's last call had aroused the noblest feelings in the heart of one who was his foe, one whose last act was an effort to save and comfort the boy knew who was faithful to his duty

He Has Got the Idea

[illegible] down the paper you spilled it on the floor of dress in Miss Mother the children [illegible] women [illegible] She say that when your husband is angry she should stop and carefully consider the matter for ten minutes before saying a word to her husband That's a good idea

It is ch[illegible]
I consider it [illegible]
And when you [illegible] talking

Oh I don't know—somewhere [illegible] town, I presume but I don't think it interfere with anything

And she was so mad that she didn't say a word for the first time [illegible]—Chicago Times Herald

Bearded Belles of Ancient Rome

Among the Romans women [illegible] period there was a month in [illegible] grow beards and they used [illegible] their faces and near them with ingenuity [illegible] these supposed [illegible] pendages [illegible] time [illegible] such in short did the [illegible] for beards grow upon women that it was found [illegible] to pass a law against the adornment [illegible]—San Francisco Chronicle

Sustaining Trees

There is nothing so sustaining in passing through an erected [illegible] An Atchison woman who was struck on the head by a [illegible] hands handsome [illegible] that it was a champagne bottle—Atchison Globe

Some idea of the [illegible] with which a bird passes through the air may be gained through the fact that a common carrier flew straight through [illegible] of plate glass a quarter of an inch thick at Turnberry lighthouse, Ayrshire

The original of the phrase [illegible] meaning, or did [illegible] idea being that article bought and not paid for at the time had [illegible] a ticket

Go in all sorts [illegible] anxious to win [illegible] be all the quicker [illegible] closely [illegible] progress [illegible] Don't [illegible] enough to be [illegible] but [illegible] forth [illegible]

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